by itself, with its aceptance still awaited, although there is practically little doubt of

on her sloping sides is from six to three

Of double turret monitors we have six

PRETTY FAST TRAVELERS.

placement of 1,875 tons and five of 2,100.

Some of them are now turned over to the

Turning to the unarmored vessels, we find,

first, sixteen steel cruisers, of which all

but three are of the protected cruiser type. Largest and fastest among them are the

famous sister ships Minneapolis and Colum-

spectively. They are also our largest vessels, being 412 feet on the load water line, while

of the unarmored cruisers they carry the largest coal supply, 750 tons, with a bunker capacity of 1,670, being surpassed in this respect only by the Brooklyn. Next to them

in speed comes the Olympia of 5,870 tons and 21,686 knots. She is more heavily armed than they, carrying four eight-inch and ten

rapid-fire four-inch guns. Fourth in speed is the Baltimore of 4,413 tons and 20.09 knots,

and she also carries a powerful battery. But of all our unarmored cruisers the most

heavily armed is the Chicago, with her four eight-inch, eight six-inch and two five-inch guns, on a displacement of only 4,500 tons. This battery will be modified somewhat, bow-

ever, on the completion of her repairs

which are expected to raise her present speed of a little over fifteen knots to about eighteen. The speed of the Atlanta and Boston will also probably be raised in due time. Exceeding eighteen knots are the Charleston, Detroit, Marblehead, and equaling or exceeding nineteen knots are the sis-

ing or exceeding nineteen knots are the sis-

ter ships Cincinnati and Raleigh, the New-ark, the Montgomery, the San Francisco and the Philadelphia, the two last making nine-

Montgomery are not of the protected class.

are the Yorktown, Concord and Benning-ton, of 1,710 tons, and the smallest, the

Petrel, of 893 tons. The fastest is the Bennington, of 171/2 knots, followed by the Con-

cord, 16.8 knots, while the slowest, prob-

ably, is the Petrel, of 11.79, although the six composite gunboats, of 1,000 tons, are only required to make twelve knots. 1,777-

ton Castine and Machias make about 154

and 16 knots, respectively; the light-draught

Helena and Wilmington, of 1,392 tons, are expected to make thirteen, and the Nash-

The special class includes the 1,486-ton dispatch boat Dolphin, the Bancroft and the Vesuvius, while a torpedo cruiser provided

for by Congress has not yet been built.

TORPEDO BOATS

the others building. The highest speed

Herreschoff pair, with 26 knots from the

Seattle boat, 241/2 from the Baltimore trio

that of the Stiletto at 18.22, while the Hol-

land submarine boat is to give eight knots

Our six iron unarmored vessels are the

Alarm, laid up in ordinary, the Alert, the

Ranger. Our wooden vessels are the

Adams, Alliance, Enterprise and Essex, of 1,375 tons each, the Hartford, of 2,793, the Lancaster, of 3,250, the Marion and Mo-

hican, of 1,900, the Thetis, of 1,250, and the Yantle, of 900. Some of these vessels carry

good modern batteries, the Alliance and Es-

sex having six rapid-fire four-inch guns,

the Hartford thirteen rapid-fire five-inch,

Our wooden sailing ships are the Con-

stellation, Jamestown, Monongahela, Ports-

mouth, Saratoga and St Mary's. Our tugs

are the Iwana, Narkeeta, Triton, Unadilla,

Wahneta, and one not yet named, all of steel; the Fortune, Leyden, Nina and Standish, of iron, and the Rocket and

receiving ships for the naval militia, or

Pensacola, Richmond, Swatara,

laid up in ordinary, and so on. These are

the Franklin, Iroquois, Minnesota, Nipsic,

Wabash, Constitution, Dale, Independence, New Hampshire, St. Louis and Vermont.

Summing up the progress made during

the last ten years constructor Hichborn

"In 1885 there were in commission or fit-

ting out at navy yards thirty-two wooden

vessels of a displacement of 66,000 tons and

seven iron ships of 6,900 tons, making a

total of thirty-nine ships with a displace-

ment of 72,900 tons. On July 1, 1895, there

were in commission or fitting out eleven

wooden vessels of 18,900 tons displacement

and thirty-two steel or iron vessels o

104,500 tons displacement, or a grand total of forty-three vessels of 122,800 tons displacement. The above figures are exclu-

sive of torpedo boats, tugs and receiving

Thus the total displacement of our ves

sels in commission or fitting out is nearly

double now what it was in 1885, and the

Bachelor Ignorance About Children.

Bachelors who have lived long alone or to

hotels and clubs acquire strange ignorance

about children. One of these was telling a

friend how his little nephew enjoyed "The

"Oh, I don't know. Seven or eight. Maybe

"Let me see. No, he can't. He's too young

"Then he must be less than ten years old.

The uncle was puzzled. "That's so," he said, reflectively. "My brother hasn't been married nearly so long as that. I don't believe it's more than six years. No, the boy can't be over four or five. I think he's just

"Can't you tell his age by looking a him?" asked the friend.

"Why, no," answered the uncle hopelessly

cept infants and those that are about ready

It was another bachelor who was visiting

friends when a caller came with his young

son. The boy was four or five years old

and a manly little chap. The bachelor was

attracted by his appearance, and, patting his cheek, said to the father:

"He's a sturdy boy, isn't he?? He'll be ready to go out and play ball in a few

"I can play ball already," spoke up the

"Why, he can't talk, can he!" exclaimed the astonished bachelor. "I didn't know children could talk at his age."

The company would have doubted the sin-

cerity of his ignorance had he not been too

"All children look the same age to me ex

"Tnen he can read the stories himself?"

"How old is he?" was asked.

He has the book read to him.

Of these the last six are sailing craft.

reaches the following facts:

sequent years.

Jungle Book.'

child, proudly.

evidently in earnest.

and the Lancaster twelve five-inch, of

which ten are rapid-fire.

for six hours when completely submerged.

271/2 knots, is expected from the new

Of our ten torpede boats three, the Cush-

Ericsson and Stilletto, are built and

ville, of 1,371 tons, fourteen knots.

Of gunboats we have fifteen. The largest

naval militia for use as training ships.

Your

Pick

Ulster

or Cape

our house, for

Nothing reserved. All

garments that sold at \$6,

\$7, \$8, \$10 and \$12, can

be had until Saturday

night at \$5.

Overcoat

(sizes 3 to 14), in

Of any Boy's

SHOT ON THE TRAIN

LAPAYETTE MAN CREATES A RIOT AN THE MONON NEAR CHICAGO.

North Manchester Patrolled All Night by Citizens to Keep Tramps from Burning the Town.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. LAFAYETTE, Ind., Dec. 25 .- The Monon Chicago passenger train which arrived here at 1 o'clock this morning brought intelligence of an exciting time on the train between Englewood and Hammond Junction last night. John Wienhart, of this city, had boarded the train as it was leaving Chicago, and had been put off by detective McQuaid, of the Monon road. At Englewood, when the conductor came through, he discovered Wienhart again on the train. McQuaid had come in the car with conductor Byers, also of this city, and the moment Wienhart saw the detective he took it for granted that he was to be again ejected. Springing to his feet he drew a revolver and fired as McQuaid. The bullet cut a gash in McQuaid's face, and con-ductor Byers's face was burned with the powder. McQuald grappled with Weinhart, while Byers ran for his own pistol. Charles Jack, of this city, who was in the baggage car, selzed a batchet and hurried to McQuaid's assistance. The three men overpowered Wienhart and secured his pis-

was thought the trouble was over, tilities were soon renewed. Wienhart had gone to the rear of the coach, and McQuaid followed close behind him, revolver in hand. The men were speedily engaged in another conflict. McQuaid fired this time. In the struggle Wienhard secured McQuaid's revolver, and started for the forward end of the car, pursued by both Jack and McQuaid. Wienhart be gan firing, discharging three chambers of the revolver. One of the bullets struck a closet in the forward end of the car and cut a gash in the head of a boy passenger. The latter had his injuries dressed by a doctor at Lowell. The wound was not serious. By this time Wienhart was near conductor Byers, and ordered him to stop the train. For an answer the conductor slammed and locked the door in his Finding the conductor would not stop the train Wienhart reached for the cord, which he jerked violently and from the train. The glass in to of the smoking car was broken and the coach has a number of bullet holes. lenhart was raised in this city. He has been to the asylum once or twice, and when he has been drinking is an ugly citizen. Some time ago he was brought the Mayor, the arrest being made brother, who is on the police force. ohn became so abusive and threatening at officer Wienhart, to protect himself, to give him a trouncing in the court

CHRISTMAS FOOTBALL.

Muncie Eleven Downs the Caledonians, of Indianapolis. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

MUNCIE, Ind., Dec. 25.-The Muncie Union football team won the association championship from the Caledonia team, of Indianapolis, in a well contested game today at Westside Athletic Park. The Caledonias have held the association championship of Indiana and Ohio for three years, having never been defeated until on last Thanksgiving day, when Muncle defeated the capital city boys by the score of 3 to 2. Had the visitors won to-day the deciding game would have been played at Indianapolis on New Year's day. The line-up was as follows:

Muncie. Indi	anapoli
W. Foster Balfour and He	enderso
J. Rooney	Balfor
D. McCartyA	. Tayle
Eugene McCarty	D. We
J. Grawley	Stewa
W. WirebachJ. D.	augher
J. Pollock	. Cout
W. Reeves G. J. Beardsmore	Watso
J. Beardsmore	. Evar
F. Daniels	
J. Johnson	A. We
Linemen-J. Craig, for Muncie;	Jame
Cuinnan fon Indiananalia	
Referee—John Clark, of Indianap	olis.
Indianapolis had the kick off T	ne vist

ors scored the first goal, on Stewart's kick, in twelve minutes. Beardsmore, for Muncie, scored the next goal, in eleven minutes, repeated the act three minutes later. Coutts, for Indianapolis, tied the score seconds later. Reeves kicked goal Muncle five minutes later, and time The visitors then changed goal tenders, but Muncle scored just the ame and blanked the visitors the last half. In the last half goals were scored as follows: Johnson, Reeves, Beardsmore and hnson, leaving the score 7 goals to 2 in Muncle's favor. Over one thousand people witnessed the game. The weather was warm and the field in good shape.

STILL A MYSTERY.

KOKOMO, Ind., Dec. 25.-The official in-

The Stone Quarry Murder a Puzzle for the Detectives. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

restigation of the stone quarry mystery that has been in progress since the dead body of Charles Lowry was found in the quarry Nov. 10 is yet unexplained. The only outcome of the investigation up to this time are two \$10,000 damage suits the factories Jan. I for a period of four or brought against the officers for false imprisonment, the suits being instituted this week by Edward Bogue and Harry Huff
The monitors have been reported as unsteady gun platforms, but Captain Bunce, Standish, of iron, and the Rocket and Who took the Monadnock around the Horn to California, many years ago, respect the Fortune, Leyden, Nina and the Rocket and Who took the Monadnock around the Horn to California, many years ago, respect the factories Jan. I for a period of four or steady gun platforms, but Captain Bunce, Standish, of iron, and the Rocket and Who took the Monadnock around the Horn to California, many years ago, respect to the factories Jan. I for a period of four or steady gun platforms, but Captain Bunce, Standish, of iron, and the Rocket and Horn to California, many years ago, respect to the factories Jan. I for a period of four or steady gun platforms, but Captain Bunce, Standish, of iron, and the Rocket and Horn to California, many years ago, respect to the factories Jan. I for a period of four or steady gun platforms, but Captain Bunce, Standish, of iron, and the Rocket and Horn to California, many years ago, respect to the factories Jan. I for a period of four or steady gun platforms, but Captain Bunce, Standish, of iron, and the Rocket and Horn to California, many years ago, respectively. man, who were arrested for the crime and released. John Thompson, of Windfall, a oung man raised in Mrs. Lowry's family, was the latest suspect arrested and his preliminary trial is now in progress, Taompson having been a guest at the Lowry home the night of the murder. The evidence so far is not convicting. In the hope of solving the mystery Paul Alexander Johnstone, the noted mind read-er, visited Thompson in his cell yesterday, the object of the call not being known to the accused. Thompson was called out into the waiting room where sat Johnstone and two reporters. When the mind-reader fastened his eyes on the accused man, the latter trembled like an aspen, though not a word was spoken. For the first time since his arrest Thompson betrayed emotion. During the long trial he was perfectly stoical and unconcerned. The sitting did not last to exceed two minutes. Professor Johnstone did not make public the result of the visit, leaving the fficers to supply the missing link in the evidence, taking his impressions as their

officers are likely to have a third damage suit to defend in the courts. PROGRESS IN OIL FIELDS.

List of New and Paying Wells That Have Been Drilled.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. MONTPELIER, Ind., Dec. 25.-Some large oil wells have been completed here within the past two days. J. A. Graves completed good for 160 barrels. Benjamin F. Pyle finished a 100-barrel well on the Morrison farm, farm, Chester township, is good for seventyfive barrels. The Spy Run Oil Company's Maddox farm well, in Chester township, is a big salt water producer. The Ohio Oil

Awaroed Mighest Honors-World's Pair. ·DR:



MOST PERFECT MADE. A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free 40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

Company's well on the West Bros.' farm, in Jackson township, is good for forty-five barrels. The same company finished a fifty-berrel well on the Griffiths farm, of the same township

The Akron Oil Company has drilled deeper an old well drilled for gas years ago on the Hoover farm, in Harrison township, Blackford county. The well when first drilled produced a little gas, but shortly petered out, and the venture was then abandoned as worthless. It is now a sixty-barrel oil producer. This causes some excitement here among the trade, and many old abandoned holes will be tested again. The Sun Oil Company has completed a twenty-barrel well on the John Bradford farm, in Salamonie township, Huntington

BATTLE WITH TRAMPS.

North Manchester Police Fight Three Hours with the Vagrants.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. NORTH MANCHESTER, Ind., Dec., 25 .-For several days past this place has been overrun with a gang of tramps, who were camped in the woods near town. They have committed many petty offenses, and last night the postoffice was robbed. To-day City Marshal Bonawitz collected a posse of 100 armed citizens and proceeded to place the tramps under arrest. A running fight fol- | tory. lowed, during which several of the vagrants were badly punished. After a conflict last-ing three hours, eighteen of the more desperate characters were locked up to await a hearing. As many more are still at large and are threatening to burn the town. The City Council held a special meeting to-night, and the streets are being patrolled by a large number of special police.

Still Hunting a Wife.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., Dec. 25 .- Abe Estes, the old gentleman from Danville, this State, who has been here two months in search of a wife, has shaken the dust of this place from his feet and sought new pastures. He has gone to Bainbridge. Before going he had a woman here write a letter for him to a lady at Bainbridge, in which he proposed marriage, and he carried the letter down and delivered it in person. but as yet no report has been received concerning the success of the mission. He said that he proposed to stand and wait until the woman had read the letter and see what effect it would have on her. The letter commenced by announcing the name of the bearer and what his mission was, and begged the lady to read the entire letter before telling the old gentleman "No." Mr. Estes is a nice old man, with some means, out his manner seem winning.

Citizen Accidentally Shot. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

ELWOOD, Ind., Dec. 25 .- Nelson Webb, a well-known drayman, fifty years old. while engaged in driving his dray on one of the suburban streets, was hit in the head by a stray bullet this morning, and will die. Who fired the shot is not known, as there was much promiscuous shooting indulged in by unknown persons, who were celebrating Christmas. The bullet entered the skull just behind the right ear and ranged forward, lodging somewhere in the front part of the brain, and cannot be the dray. Neighbors saw him fall and ran ever known. to his assistance. He was conscious when taken home, but it is evident he cannot recover. Several theories regarding the shooting are in circulation, but the gen-erally accepted one is that it was not in-

Miners' Bloody Celebration. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

BRAZIL, Ind., Dec. 25.-The coal operators of this district distributed over \$60,000 among the miners yesterday afternoon, and a number of riots occurred throughout the county during the night. At Carbon, William Cummings shot and fatally wounded Henry Shaw. Shaw was in Cummings's saloon endeavoring to smash up the fixtures when Cummings shot him. Cummings was arrested by Sheriff Payne shortly after the shoot-

At an early hour this morning a number of toughs, in a wild desire for excitement, stoned Aaron Buttler's house. Buttler fired upon the crowd and hit Ed Hadley, inflicting wounds which will probably prove During a drunken brawl at Newbury last night Taylor Hamilton was shot and badly wounded by Sam Tribble.

Afraid of a Lynching.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. ORLEANS, Ind., Dec. 25.-Deputy Marshal Columbus Brown, who was shot at this place last Monday night, died this morning at 2 o'clock. Great excitement prevailed here all night. Old soldiers discussed lynch law openly, and so strong was the feeling that a deputy sheriff was sent here. Some time during the night McCoy, the man who did the killing, was taken from jail and spirited away to Jeffersonville prison for safe-keeping. Brown was an old soldier and a lawabiding citizen, and was highly respected. He was a warm personal friend of the late Governor A. P. Hovey, who was the colonel of his regiment. McCoy's reputation has

Important Glass Trust Meeting.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. MUNCIE, Ind., Dec. 25.-The Eastern and Western Window-glass Manufacturers' Associations, which form the National Trust, will have a meeting in the Auditorium Hotel, in Chicago, next Friday, when the important question as to the closing down of headquarters in Muncie, furnishes this information. There is very bright prospects for trouble with the men if the factories

Officers of Darius Council, P. of J.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal: FORT WAYNE, Ind., Dec. 25.-Darius Council, Princes of Jerusalem, Scottish Rite Masons, held its annual election last night, resulting as follows: M. E. S. P. G. M., C. M. Dawson; deputy grand master, R. S. Robertson; senior grand warden, J. W. Hayden; junior grand warden, R. A. Liggett; treasurer, G. W. Pixley; secretary, C. B. Fitch, master of ceremonies, J. B. Harper; almoner, C. R. Higgins; M. of E., J. C. Craig; tyler, M. Teagarden.

One Big-Hearted Mine Owner.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. SHELBURN, Ind., Dec. 25 .- C. C. Heisen, of Chicago, owner of the Shelburn mines. remembered the children of the miners who work in his mines by sending them a supply If Thompson is not convicted the of Christmas presents, which were distrib-uted from the tree at the Methodist Church to-day. As this is the first generous gift by a mine owner in this locality, it attracted a large crowd. The miners here will meet and pass resolutions expressing their ap-

Blind Man Wants to Race.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal, KOKOMO, Ind., Dec. 25.-William Brinkman, the blind man of this city, whose wife and mired girl are also blind, is developing into a champion sightless walker and would be pleased to arrange a match with some other ambitious sprinter. This week Mr. Brinkman walked unaided from the Clover-Leaf Depot to his residence in South Kokomo, a distance of twenty-one squares. in just nineteen minutes.

Muncie Fire Chief's Accident.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. MUNCIE, Ind., Dec. 25.-Last night, when a barn burned belonging to the Muncle artificial ice plant, on Race street, Granville Shepp, Muncie's fire chief, was on top of the building with a hose, and went through, falling a distance of about fifteen He received some bad cuts and bruises, but no bones were broken, and he will soon be on duty again. The loss was \$700; fully insured.

Stabbed His Son Four Times. Special to the Indianapolis Journal. COLUMBUS, Ind., Dec. 25.-Last night while intoxicated "Babe" Sanford quarreled with his father, Henry Sanford, and during the fight "Babe" was stabbed four times in the back. He was taken to the hospital, where his wounds were dressed. It is not thought that the wounds will prove serious. The father is in jail.

President Burroughs's Father Dead. Special to the Indianapolis Journal. CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., Dec. 25 .- Dr. G. S. Burroughs, president of Wabash College, received word this evening of the death of his father at Bethayres, Pa.

For Throat Diseases and Coughs Use Brown's Bronchiat Tro hes. Like all really good things, they are imitated. The genuine are sold only in boxes

OUR COAST DEFENSES six six-inch and twelve rapid-fire four-inch guns; she has also one-fifth more normal

ADMIRAL JOUETT'S VIEW OF WHAT THIS COUNTRY NEEDS.

He Thinks Floating Forts Better than Stationary Batteries-The Best Kind of a Navy.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 25.-The Dispatch's Washington correspondent says: Probably no one has so studiously and impartially investigated the subject of coast defenses as Admiral James A. Jouett. Years and years ago he earned the famous sobriquet which makes "Fighting Jim Jouett" an inspiration to the younger officers in the service, and sets the tongues of the old tars wagging with tales of daring and heroism. It would be almost idle to repeat the story of his brave life, because that is indelibly written upon the brightest and bloodiest pages of the Nation's his-

Admiral Jouett, hearty and jocund, and bearing his years as though his body was as young as his heart, was met by a reporter this morning, and the talk naturally turned on the subject of our coast de-

"We are virtually unprotected along our

coast lines now," said the Admiral with a 111% inch barbettes, 71/2 inch turrets and 9 serious expression. "Our coast cities are at the mercy of any foreign fleet which may visit them with hostile intent. The conditions should not be allowed to continue any longer than it will take common sense, which is another name in this instance for the instinct of self-preservation, money to remove them. General Miles," continued the Admiral, "recommended in his last report the erection of a line of fortifications along the coast. They would cost \$80,000,000 or \$90,000,000, and undoubtedly be very good things, but it is difficult to see where they would be efficacious when modern fighting ships can lie off twelve, thirteen or fourteen s from shore and set our cities on fire, while it would be impossible to see those ships when they were more than eight miles out from shore. "We have the means at hand to protect ourselves from foreign attack in abunexperiment. | bia, 7,375 tons and 23.07 and 22.08 knots, re What we want for the safety of our coast and its thriving and populous cities are forts, to be sure, but not stationary forts. Floating forts are the necessary adjuncts to our system of protection against loss or invasion from without.

"Yes, we want them now," he went on, in reply to the reporter's question. "The Puritan is the most powerful fighting machine affoat. She is simply invulnerable to attack irresistible in assault. That is the type of vessel we need—the Monitor class modified to meet requirements. Look at the Monterey," continued Admiral Jouett, with a ring of enthusiasm in his tone. "The reports to the Navy Depart-ment from Captain Kempff are revelations to the student of naval warfare. In one of located. He is conscious at intervals, but cannot live. He was standing up when the bullet hit him, and fell headlong from gales as strong and violent as any he had

> THE BATTERIES IN GALES. "In a pitching, tossing sea on both occasions he ordered the men to quarters and fought the batteries without difficulty, when, he declared, it would have been impossible to have fought the battery of an ordinary man-of-war. Another point in one of the reports from Captain Kempff is remarkable in another important particular. The average ship of war is prevented frequently from rendering necessary service by reason of her immense draught. When the Monterey was at the mouth of the Columbia river she found there a merchant vessel that couldn't get over the bar. The Monterey, however, went in and slipped over it without difficulty.
> "There should be no reason," said Admiral Jouett, "with all these splendid object essons at hand, for the government to hesitate an instant in selecting the most effica-

Again referring to the extraordinary fightng machine which we have in the Puritan. Admiral Jouett said: "I consider her capable of whipping any battle ship affoat for these reasons-first, she carries a very heavy battery, which she can fight in any seaway; second, she has a twin screw and is easily maneuvered, and third, she has but thirty inches free board, which can't be seen two miles and which presents only a very remote opportunity for getting struck in a and 24 from the Ericsson. The speed of battle. A battle ship, on the contrary, has the Cushing is set down at 221/2 knots and from twenty-five to thirty feet free board from the water line up that presents a good target at a distance from which the Puri-

clous mode of protecting our seacoast

tan's decks can't be seen. "This class of vessels," continued Admiral Jouett, "draws but fourteen feet of water, against over thirty feet by a battle ship, The Puritan can seek harbors and inlets of a secluded sort, and run out at will and strike the enemy. Her decks will admit of the cost of such a magnificent fighting machine as this is about a million and a quarter, against four millions and over for a battle ship. And, too, a monitor like the Puritan can be built in half the time a battle ship can. I should consider our Northern coast perfectly secure," added the Admiral, "If we possessed twenty or twenty-five of

hese home-defense vessels. "It should not be our policy to build ex-ensive battle ships," he went on, earnest-"when such a ship as the Puritan can all that a battle ship can do and more. The monitors have been reported as un-Kempff, of the Monterey, taken in connecwith Captain Bunce's conclusions, tion completely disproves the theory that montors are unsteady gun platforms.
"What we must depend on in the future are powerful home and harbor defense vessels of light draught, that can go out in any weather, night or day, and drive off a squadron of battle ships, which can, by the way, be seen at night at quite a dis-tance, and present admirable targets for heavy guns such as the boats I speak of should carry. The most vulnerable part of a commercial nation is her commerce. As powerful home-defense vessels needed to make us secure at home, so they should be supplemented with twenty more of such commerce destroyers as the Columbia and Minneapolis, which though capable of fighting a successful battle, should be employed solely to prey upon the shipping of the country with whom we may be at war, and under no consideration be permitted to fight a battle unless

forced into it." OUR NAVY TO-DAY. continuation of the present building programme will increase the contrast in sub The tables that accompany the report of Chief Constructor Hichborn contain some interesting statistics of the serviceable fleet, new and old, as it stands at this time. New York Tribune.

We have, built and building, eight battle ships. These are the Indiana, Iowa, Maine, Massachusetts, Oregon, Texas and Kearsarge and her mate. The last two will be the largest, 11,525 tons, although the Iowa is close upon them, with 11,400 tons. The three of the Indiana class are of 10,288 tons each, the Maine of 6,682, and the Texas of 6.315. The speed record is held by the Maine, with 17.45 knots, although this, it is true, was on a mean draught of two and a half feet less than the normal, and a displacement of only 5,660 tons. The highest horse power goes to the Iowa, 11,000, and she has also the largest normal coal supply and bunker capacity, the former being 625 and the latter 1,708 tons. She is but eight feet shorter than the Kearsarge. In the combination of armor and armament the Kearsarge and her mate and the Indiana trio are all remarkable. They will carry each four thirteen-inch, eight eightinch and four six-inch guns, while the former carry four thirteen-inch, four eightinch and fourteen rapid-fire five-inch guns The eight-inch turrets of the Kearsarge are superposed upon the thirteen-inch. The side armor of the Indiana class is the thicker at the maximum, being eighteen inches, while that of the Kearsage is fifteen inches at the top. The turrets of the latter, however, appear to be heavier, and will have the latest improvements in armor. The largest guns of the Iowa and Texas are the twelve-inch and those of the Maine the ten-inch. As to the rig, the Indiana trio and the Iowa have one military mast and all the other battle ships have The deepest maximum draught is that of the Indiana class, that of the Kearsarge being only a little over twenty-five feet, or two feet less. The largest complement is that of the Kearsarge and her mate,

namely, forty officers and 480 men.

have two armored cruisers, the Brook-

lyn of 9,271 tons and the New York of 8,200,

Each was built for the same speed, twenty

knots, and the same horse power, 16,000,

but the New York has made twenty-one

Carry the News.

Kansas City Journal. It might be some comfort to Lord Salis-bury to know that Mr. Monroe has been arrested and fined at Kansas City.

Wonderful are the cures accomplished by knots and 17,401 horse power, so that as much, perhaps, may be hoped for from the Brooklyn, which is built by the same firm. The Brooklyn is the more heavily armed, Hood's Sarsaparilla, and yet it is only be cause Hood's Sarsaparilla, the one true purifier, makes pure, rich, healthy carrying eight eight-inch and twelve rapid-Hood's Pills for the liver and bowels, act fire five-inch guns, against the New York's I easily, yet promptly and efficiently.

coal supply and over a third more total bunker capacity, her figures being 900 and 1,753 tons, respectively, which gives the Brooklyn the record for coal carrying ca-SAN FRANCISCO RUNNING RACES ATpacity above any of our other vessels, with TENDED BY 15,000 PEOPLE. or without armor. The plating of the New

York is a little thicker on the sides and barbettes, but the Brooklyn has the ad-vantage of later methods of manufacture. Hobart Stakes Won by Santa Bella Although over 1,000 tons larger than the New York, her contract cost for machinery and the Handicap by Libertineand hull was \$2,986,000, to the New York's Sloppy Track at New Orleans. The armored ram Katahdin is in a class

that. Her displacement is 2.155 tons and SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.-Twenty-eight her speed about 161/2 knots, while the armor bookmakers were inadequate to meet the demands of the immense crowd that surged into the Ingleside track to-day, the mag-The largest is the Puritan, of 6,600 tons and nificent card presented by the Jockey Club 12.4 knots, with side armor fourteen inches proving an attraction that few could resist. thick at the maximum, barbettes of 14 The Hobart stakes, for two-year-olds, with inches, and turrets of 8. She carries four 12-inch and six rapid-fire 4-inch guns. Next \$2,000 added money, the Christmas handicomes the Monterey, our only steel-built cap and the handicap hurdle were the feamonitor, though the others have steel tur-rets except the Miantonomoh, which has compound armor. The Monterey is of 4,054 Imp. Santa Bella, by St. Serf and Imp. tons and 13.6 knots, with side armor 13 inches at the maximum, and with her for-Maiden Belle, fully sustained the confidence reposed in her by the talent by winning ward barbette and turrett 13 inches and 18 inches, respectively, and her aft 111/2 and 71/2. She carries two 12-inch and two 10-inch in a hard drive from Green B. Morris's Sir Play, who was a heavily backed third choice. "Lucky" Baldwin's Argentina, who was virtually favorite, failed to land the money. The other four monitors are sister ships J. O. C. won the hurdle race in the last of 3,990 tons, differing a little in details. few jumps from Templemore, an outsider in The slowest is the Miantonomon, 19.5 knots, the betting. Ed Corrigan's Jumper Beleand the fastest the Monadnock, 14.5 knots, ford fell at the second jump, broke his leg with the Amphitrite and Terror 12 knots and it was found necessary to shoot him. each. The Amphitrite and Monadnock have The Christmas handicap, an all-age event, was the principal race of the day, the to 5 inch sides. The Miantonomoh and Terstarters being Bright Phoebus, Phoebus, ror 1114 inch turrets and 7 inch sides. Each Libertine, Vinctor, Imp. Star Ruby, Sancarries four 10-inch guns, and all, except tiago, Can't Dance and Pulaski. Libertine the Minatonomoh, two 4-inch guns in addigot off in the lead and won all the way, The thirteen iron single-turret monitors with Star second and Bright Phoebus third. are the Ajax, Comanche, Canonicus, Cats-kill, Jason, Lehigh, Mahopac, Manhattan, Montauk, Nahant, Nantucket, Passaic and The Ingleside track closes after to-day for two weeks, when racing will be resumed In the meantime the sport will be shifted to the Bay District track, where a num-Wyandotte. These have four inches of armor on the sides and either ten or eleven on the turrets, have a speed of five to six knots, carry a battery of two 15 inch ber of stake races will be run. The two tracks will henceforth alternate every two weeks until the close of the season. Four smooth-bores, and have the single screw, favorites and two second choices divided honors to-day. The weather was clear and grasshopper type of engine. Their keels were all laid in 1862, and eight have a dis-

> First Race-Six furlongs. Sir George, 107 (Cochran), 6 to 1, won; Little Mid, 108 (Price), 10 to 1, second; Pecksniff, 107 (Bergen), 40 to 1, third. Time, 1:19. Ike L., Fife, W. L. Munson and Starling Garcia also ran. 96 (Garner), 6 to 1, won; Carmel, 108 (Macklin), 15 to 1, second; Dungarven, 108 (Cochran), 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:53½. Imp. Candid, Salonica, Tar and Tartar, E. H. Shirley and Hydy also ran.
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> Third—Six furlongs; the Hobart stakes.
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> Imp. Santa Bella, 115 (T. Sloan), 3 to 1, won; Sir Play, 115 (Chorn), 3 to 1, second; Gratify, 106 (Doggett), 5 to 1, third. Time, 1:171/2. Instigator, William Pinkerton, Grady and Argentina also ran.

warm, the track heavy and attendance

15,000. Summaries:

Fourth-Handicap hurdle; mile and one-half; six hurdles. J. O. C., 150 (Hennessey) 2 to 1, won; Templemore, 130 (Boyd), 15 to 1, second; Cicero, 130 (Owens), 2 to 1, third. Time, 2:55. Bell Ringer, Bedford, Tom Clark, Imp. Creighton and Imp. Cascade Fifth-One mile; Christmas handicap Libertine 115 (Macklenz), 4 to 1, won; Imp Fifth-One Star Ruby, 109 (Chorn), 10 to 1, second; Bright Phoebus, 118 (Miller), 2 to 1, third. Time, 1:44½. Victor, Santiago, Potaski and Can't Dance also ran. Sixth—Six furlongs. Jack Richelieu, 107 (Chorn), 8 to 5, wcn; Imp. Ivy, 104 (Garner), 6 to 1, second; May Day, 107 (Coady), 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:17½. Captain Skedance, Monterey, Rico and Royal Flush also ran.

Governor Sheehan Won.

teen and one-half and nineteen and two-thirds knots. The Detroit, Marblehead and NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 25 .- This was the twenty-eighth day of the Crescent City Jockey Club's winter meeting. The weather was rainy and the track sloppy. The feature of the day was the Christmas handicap, for which there were nine starters. There was a forty-minute delay at the post, and the race was run in a blinding rain. Governor Sheehan got the lead at the quarter and held it to the finish, winning in a gallop. Summaries:

First Race—Fifteen-sixteenths of a mile. Whisper, 111 (Caywood), 7 to 1, won; Lillian E., 114 (Clay), 15 to 1, second; Cotton King, 111 (Midgley), 7 to 2, third. Time, :42%. Joab, Sir Archer, Favorita, Del Coronado, Crusader, Panout and Kirk also ran. Second-Seven furlongs. Tom Sayre, 107 (Irving), 4 to 1, won; Chenoa, 110 (Tabor), 2 to 1, second; Tancred, 101 (W. Jones), 7 to 1, third. Time, 1:33%. Momus, McKee, J. W. Cook Rex Regent, Rossmore and Buzgo also ran.

Third-Mile and one-half. Pioneer, 92 (W. Hicks), 5 to 1, won; Booze, 107 (Ham), 6 to 5, second; Clarus, 93 (A. Barrett), 12 to 5, third. Time, 2:45. Peytonia and Uncle Jim Fourth-Christmas handicap; mile and one-eighth. Governor Sheehan, 121 (Tabor), 6 to 1, won; Jamboree, 103 (T. Hill), 3 to 1, Banner also ran.

second; Langdon, 105 (J. Murphy), 4 to 1, third. Time, 2:00½. Jim Flood, Overella, Maurice, Lagle Bird, Roosevelt and Blue Monocacy, the Michigan, the Pinta and the Fifth-Mile and twenty yards. Mendicant 109 (Clark), 8 to 1, won; Sir John, 100 (Caywood), 2 to 1, second; Potsdam, 103 (J. Hill) 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:51.

GENTLE ART OF WRECKING. Cornishmen Practiced It, and Have Not Yet Entirely Given It Up. Pall Mail Gazette.

The gentle art of wrecking is not what it once was. Any one down the coast will tell you that, but it is still carried on in a modified form, often under the very noses of the coast guards who are sta-tioned all along the Cornish seaboard to

"Cornishmen are born wreckers, sir," a cently in reply to a remark of mine; seems in their very blood, and, so being, they can't help themselves. But if you want to know anything about the old style of wrecking you should get a chat with Joel Tregenna. He was a good 'un at it, from all accounts, if you like. Where is he? Oh, you won't have much difficulty in finding him out; everybody 'round about here knows Tregenna. He's living in a cottage along the cliff, about a mile and a half to the westward of the town." I decided to pay a visit to the redoubt-able wrecker of other days, and learn the science of his craft if possible. Following the coast guard's directions I was able without much difficulty, to find old Tregenna's cottage. He proved to be an old man between eighty and ninety, quite benevolent of aspect, tall, and not even yet decrepit, and not at all averse to a chat upon his notorious doings in the old days as a wrecker.

"Things are not what they were," he ex-claimed, after the generalities were over, with an unmistakable ring of regret in his tone. "I mind when the Marithorn (Marathon?) came ashore nigh on sixty-five years There were fine doings then; most of the stuff came ashore right enough, to our hands, as it were, when she broke up There wasn't many a wife or maid be-tween Land's End and Penzance what hadn't an Injin shawl at for the king's wife, and silk enough for a couple o' smart gowns. I mind, too, it were old Tom Sethey who put the light. We used to call him Old Nicky, for he weren't one to stick at nothing, he weren't. You mind, too, perhaps?" he continued, evidently wandering back to the "ould days." Then, glancing up, he exclaimed, suddenly: "But, of course, you don't; you're too young by a goodish bit. I'm getting that bad at minding things." But, all the same, he had a good enough nemory of the doings of his youth, and waxed quite enthus astic over deeds that made one shudder to listen to their re-counting. That the craftsmanship of wrecking was in any degree criminal eemed never to have occurred to him. Old Tregenna evidently regarded wrecking as

one of the occupations of the coast, and in no less favorable light than smuggling.
"Our best days," he continued, after a
pause, during which he was evidently gathering up the threads of memory, "was the old Injiman days, when they used to come up channel two or three a week, full o' everything one could want." His eyes glistened as he remembered the good old days. "Now, even a good southerly gale don't bring one any luck; it's all steam, don't bring one any luck; it's all steam, and mostly they keep too far out. I've heard tell lately that our trade's not so good as it used to be, and I can quite believe it. They were times, if you like, when the women who'd come ashore often had as much on 'em in the way of clothes and jewelry as one 'ud earn in six months' fishing. I've taken rings and chains and things of what sort off 'em as 'ud make some folks stare, that I have." some folks stare, that I have." "The poor things 'ud never miss 'em, would they?" I suppose I must have assented in some way to this obvious truism, for the old man went on after a sligh pause: "We used to get some good stuff out of the West Injimen, too. But the East uns was allus the best. I've watched 'em come lumbering into the channel with a strong sou'wester astern of 'em; and then

after it got a bit dark the lights 'ud be

about, and afore morning one of 'em 'ud be away down there yonder, or somewhere

not manay miles away right atop of the rocks. And by the time the revenue men

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nicely in rows, all stark, much as they were

left. If they had much on you might reckon they hadn't much worth taking off," said

the old fellow, with something approaching a chuckle. "Then Bill Tenpenny—it was he as kept the Old Ship in those days—'ud let the folks in (and a rare lot used to go to see

the sight, I mind) to see the drowned at

from threepence down to a penny a head. Children 'arf price.

let me see, was October. There wasn't much of daylight left when one of the lads

came tearing along a-shouting out, 'An In-

iman a-comin' ashore! An Injiman a-com-

in' ashore!' I was out with some of the first, and when we got a-top of the cliff down away along the coast there she was, 'right enough, comin' straight in, with all her head canvas blowed off of her. After

a bit the rain grew so thick that nare a one of us could catch sight of her. Then

it lifted just a minit, and we seed her, right

enough about a mile off the rocks. It came

down thick again, and then lifted again.

We all speered out to catch a glimpse o

the Injunan, but not a stick of her could

we see! We never did, neither. A few spars, a keg or two, and three bodies of sailormen were all that ever came ashore of her, and she a ship of full a thousand

tons. We lost everything," concluded the old fellow, with a sigh, the keen regret for

the misfortune having survived more than

As I arose to go he again remarked that the trade was all gone, and that times were

not what they had been in the old days, sticking to his assertion that steam had

Not Fond of "Grass."

Senator Vest is a plain man-plain in his dress, his likes, and his speech. He went

into the Senate restaurant a few days ago,

"Dick." said he to the waiter, "I want a

"Yes, sir," said the man as he moved

"And, Dick," said the Senator, calling

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spoiled everything.

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plate of cold turkey.

ley was omitted.

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"Yes, sir," said the waiter.

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GRAND—DEC. 30 and 31 they wanted out of her. The bodies," he added, as a grim touch to the picture he had conjured up out of the past, "was mostly taken down to the Old Ship, where they were-men, women and children-all laid out

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"It wern't a very nice sight perhaps," he continued, "but a rare lot used to go into the Old Ship parlor. Some of 'em (the bodies I mean) was terrible cut about sometimes. Them rocks down there is like rationary. Them rocks down there is like rationary. The superb production of Paul M. Potter's dramatization of Du Maurier's famous novel, TEILBY, Jan 1, 2, 3 and 4.

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